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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

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TO: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS

DISTRICT DIRECTORS, AREA AND PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY
INVESTIGATION OF NITROMETHANE FROM THE PRC

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ON NOVEMBER 8, 1993, ITS PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF NITROMETHANE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC) (A-570-823).

2. THE PRODUCT COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION IS NITROMETHANE, A CHEMICAL COMPOUND WITH THE FORMULA CH_3NO_2 . NITROMETHANE IS A NITROPARAFFIN IN WHICH THE NITRO GROUP IS ATTACHED TO THE SINGLE CARBON ATOM OF THAT MEMBER OF THE ALKANE FAMILY KNOWN AS METHANE.

NITROPARAFFINS ARE ANY OF THE HOMOLOGOUS SERIES OF COMPOUNDS WHOSE GENERIC FORMULA IS $C_nH_{2n+1}NO_2$, THE NITRO GROUPS BEING ATTACHED TO A CARBON ATOM THROUGH THE NITROGEN.

NITROMETHANE IS CLASSIFIABLE UNDER THE SUBHEADING 2904.20.5000 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS). THIS SUBHEADING, A BASKET PROVISION, IS DEFINED TO INCLUDE SULFONATED, NITRATED, OR NOTROSATED DERIVATIVES OF HYDROCARBONS, WHETHER OR NOT HALOGENATED. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADING IS PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, OUR WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER A-570-823.

4. THE DEPARTMENT HAS MADE A PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST WITH RESPECT TO IMPORTS OF NITROMETHANE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA. THEREFORE WE ARE DIRECTING THE CUSTOMS SERVICE TO SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH PRODUCTS THAT ARE ENTERED, OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER AUGUST 10, 1993, WHICH IS 90 DAYS PRIOR TO THE PUBLICATION OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION, AND SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR THE POSTING OF ABOND EQUAL TO 233.7 PER CENT AD VALOREM ON ALL ENTRIES OF NITROMETHANE FROM THE PRC.

4. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, THEY SHOULD CONTACT THE ANTIDUMPING/COUNTERVAILING DUTY BRANCH VIA E-MAIL ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB". THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT ERIK WARGA OR ELLEN GREBASCH, OFFICE OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATION, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, TELEPHONE (202) 482-0922 AND (202) 482-3773, RESPECTIVELY.

5. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party